

NOTE

*Pyrochroa daglariensis*: Replacement Name for *Dendroides cyanipennis* Pic 1896,  
Primary Junior Homonym of *Dendroides cyanipennis* Latreille 1817  
(Coleoptera: Pyrochroidae: Pyrochroinae)

Latreille (1810) described the pyrochroid genus *Dendroides* from Canada; the type species is, by monotypy, *Dendroides canadensis*. Later Latreille (1817) described *Dendroides cyanipennis*, a name that has subsequently been considered to be synonymous (Young 1975, 1983). In 1896, Pic

described *Dendroides cyanipennis* from “Haute Syrie: Akbès.” The homonymy apparently went unnoticed in part because no additional “*cyanipennis* Pic” specimens have turned up in collections and Latreille’s (1817) name went unnoticed by catalogers (e.g., Leng 1920, Blair 1928). Another con-



Figs. 1–2. *Pyrochroa daglariensis*, adult female. 1, Habitus, dorsal view. 2, Head, dorsal view.

tributing factor, perhaps, was the error made by Blair (1928) in reporting the original generic placement by Pic as *Hemidendroides Ferrari*. Blair (1914) transferred Pic's "cyanipennis" to *Pyrochroa* Geoffroy where it appears to be correctly placed for the present. Discovery of males would allow better assessment of important characters such as the cranial pit apparatus and genitalia.

While examining material from the Pic collection at the Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris (MNHN), I discovered two females of what was cryptically labeled as "cyanipennis Pic." The lead specimen (Figs. 1–2) bears two handwritten labels: the first appears to read "Ockbes, Hte Syrie"; the second reads "cyanipennis Pic." The second specimen is unlabeled. Given that these are the only specimens of this species in the Pic material, and in fact the only specimens of the species I have seen, and because of the close similarity in the specimen locality label ("Ockbes, Hte Syrie") and Pic's (1896) published data ("Haute Syrie: Akbès"), I believe these specimens are syntypes of *Dendroides cyanipennis* Pic and I have labeled them as such, along with the proposed replacement name, *Pyrochroa daglariensis*, new name.

The proposed replacement name refers, albeit indirectly, to the only known locality: "Ockbes" = "Akbès" = Akbez. The city is located in northeast Hatay [ $36^{\circ}52'60''N/36^{\circ}27'0''E$ , elevation 1841 m (6043 ft)] near the Turkey–Syria border, in the Nur Dağlari mountains. Historically, the region has been under control of either Turkey or Syria; it was considered part of Syria near the time of Pic's description, thus accounting for the "Syrie" label.

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